GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
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DEMAND AND CONSUMPTION OF UREA IN U.P.
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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) the total demand of urea in the country, especially in Uttar Pradesh;

(b) whether less supply of urea as against its demand has adversely affected the crops in Uttar Pradesh;

(c) if so, the total annual production of urea in the country; and

(d) the measures being taken by the Government to meet the demand of urea in the country, especially in Uttar Pradesh?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS(SHRI S.B. MOOKHERJEE)

(a): The demand of urea for each State and Union Territory is assessed foreach crop season namely Kharif (1st April to 30th September) and Rabi (1st October to 31st March). The country's demand of urea for the current Rabi 2001-2002 season has been assessed at 107.44 lakh tonnes including the demand of 23 lakh tonnes for Uttar Pradesh.

(b): No Sir, the supply of urea in Uttar Pradesh has, so far, been sufficient to support the sales.

(c): The total production of urea during 2000-2001 was 196.51 lakh tonnes.

(d): The requirement of urea in the country, including Uttar Pradesh, is met fully through the mechanism of allocations of urea under Essential Commodities Act (ECA). To ensure adequate availability of urea both in time and spacethroughout the country, monthly supply of urea to each State is regulated and monitored through movement control order. Besides 2.2 lakh tonnes urea has been imported to maintain reasonable level of pipeline stocks to meet the demand during peak consumption period of Rabi 2001-02.